# NEWARK



# Where We've Been, Where We're Going

### Highlights and Accomplishments

Since our founding in 1993, Newark Do Something has been working to build an engine. We've developed partnerships with key institutions and organizations, built a city-wide team of strong and dedicated leaders, established a leadership training system, and achieved financial stability. We've trained over 500 adult leaders and involved more than 4,000 youth in projects, trainings, and events throughout the city. We've awarded dozens of small grants to grassroots community projects. Now, we are ready to focus on working with Newark's neighborhoods to inspire, train, and mobilize hundreds of young people and others to organize and bring about positive changes on the neighborhood level.

## Goals and Objectives - 1998-99 School Year

Community Coach Program

- The school-based Community Coach Program will expand in the Newark Public Schools from 20 to 40 schools.
- The Do Something Teams led by Community Coaches throughout Newark will be trained through a
  weekly curriculum and participate in five citywide events throughout the school year: Visioning Retreat in
  October, Do Something Today in November, Kindness and Justice Challenge in January, Do Something
  Works Neighborhood Fairs in April, and the Quality of Life Survey in May.
- Through a partnership with the City of Newark and Pew Charitable Trusts, Newark will be the national pilot site for neighborhood-based Community Coaches. We will recruit 20-30 grassroots leaders from block and tenant associations, PTAs, businesses, colleges, health organizations, places and worship, and park groups around the city to undergo training and organize the young people in their neighborhoods to bring about positive community change.
- Together, the school- and neighborhood-based Community Coaches will serve as a network to bring information from the city-wide level to the classrooms, blocks, and buildings throughout our city.

#### Small Grants Program

- The Board will award 6 citywide grants of up to \$500 to young people and others who are working to bring about substantive changes in their neighborhoods.
- The school-based and neighborhood-based Do Something Teams will award grants to students in each of their schools who have ideas for positive, grassroots projects.

#### Leadership Courses

- Through our Leadership Course, hundreds of young people and adults will receive free training to help them effectively and positively strengthen their neighborhoods.
- Individuals throughout the city who have participated in the Leadership Courses will be trained to facilitate the course in their neighborhood.